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402-466 E. Cross St. (North side)
Baltimore, Md.
Private access

c.1845 - 1907

The north side of Cross St. east of Riverside Ave. is improved by a variety of building types. The earliest houses on the block, a group of two story plus attic, two bay wide brick houses built by several different builders in the 1840's and early 1850's, is located in the middle of the block at 430-450 E. Cross St. To the east of this group of houses, there is a small, one story, gable-roofed brick church, built in 1873 for the congregation of the Sailors' Union Bethel, a group of seamen who had formerly worshipped on the William Penn, an old clipper ship berthed at the Lee St. wharf. At the far eastern end of the block, near Covington St., there are several two and three story, simple brick structures built in the 1870's or earlier, which were formerly owned by the Rossmarck Brewery which operated a tavern on the site. At the western end of the block, near Riverside Ave., there are two distinct groups of late Victorian-style houses. The first group, 402-408 E. Cross St., is a group of two story, three bay wide brick houses with shed roofs and bracketed cornices, built by James F. Morgan in the late 1880's as part of his development of the adjoining section of Riverside Ave. At 410-420 E. Cross St. there is a row of two story, two bay wide brown brick houses with shed roofs and simple sheet metal bracketed cornices, built by Walter Hampson in 1907. This latter group, along with similar rows built by Hampson directly north of this row on Grindall and Hamburg Streets, are the last houses to be built in the Federal Hill area.

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INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

448-450 E. Cross St.

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

___ VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

___ DISTRICT
___ BUILDING(S)
___ STRUCTURE
___ SITE
___ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

___ PUBLIC
___ PRIVATE
___ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

___ IN PROCESS
___ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED
___ UNOCCUPIED
___ WORK IN PROGRESS
___ ACCESSIBLE
☒ YES: RESTRICTED
___ YES: UNRESTRICTED
___ NO

PRESENT USE

___ AGRICULTURE
___ COMMERCIAL
___ EDUCATIONAL
___ ENTERTAINMENT
___ GOVERNMENT
___ INDUSTRIAL
___ MILITARY
___ MUSEUM
___ PARK
☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE
___ RELIGIOUS
___ SCIENTIFIC
___ TRANSPORTATION
___ OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

Telephone #: 333 988 1111

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

___ VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Records Office Room 601

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Baltimore City Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

Baltimore

STATE

Maryland 21202

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

___ FEDERAL ___ STATE ___ COUNTY ___ LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☒ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This pair of two story plus attic brick houses with gable roofs formed part of the original group of gable roofed houses extending along this side of Cross St., east of the Fertilizing Co. that occupied the large lot to the west of 430 Cross St. This pair of houses and the adjoining pair at 444-446 Cross St. were built contemporaneously by the same builder. Both houses have been restored.

The houses are two and a half stories in height, 12' wide, and occupy lots 85' deep. The houses are two rooms deep. 450 Cross St. has no rear additions; 448 Cross St. has a modern two story high, three bay deep rear addition. The houses are constructed in common bond. The low-pitched gable roof has a continuous two-tier brick cornice. Each house has a double hooded chimney located along the east side of both its front and back gables.

The door and window openings of the first and second floors of 448 Cross St. have segmentally arched brick lintels with solid wood tympanums; the door and window openings of the main floors of 450 Cross St. have common arch lintels. The attic story windows have no lintels. All of the windows have brick header sills. The first and second floor window openings on both houses are filled with new 6/6 sash; the attic story windows are filled with paired, 1/1 casement windows. Each house has a modern six panel door set beneath a single light transom. The houses sit on very high basements, the entrances being reached by eight steps each--metal at 448 Cross and wood at 450 Cross--set parallel to the street. Each house had a door leading to the basement located beneath the first floor windows, but these spaces are now partially filled in and serve as basement windows.

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8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

- ☐ PREHISTORIC
- ☐ 1400-1499
- ☐ 1500-1599
- ☐ 1600-1699
- ☐ 1700-1799
- ☒ 1800-1899
- ☐ 1900-

- ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
- ☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
- ☐ AGRICULTURE
- ☒ ARCHITECTURE
- ☐ ART
- ☐ COMMERCE
- ☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

- ☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
- ☐ CONSERVATION
- ☐ ECONOMICS
- ☐ EDUCATION
- ☐ ENGINEERING
- ☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
- ☐ INDUSTRY
- ☐ INVENTION

- ☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
- ☐ LAW
- ☐ LITERATURE
- ☐ MILITARY
- ☐ MUSIC
- ☐ PHILOSOPHY
- ☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

- ☐ RELIGION
- ☐ SCIENCE
- ☐ SCULPTURE
- ☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
- ☐ THEATER
- ☐ TRANSPORTATION
- ☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES c. 1840-1850

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Alexander Stephens

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

See under 430-434 E. Cross St. and 444-446 E. Cross St.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 12' x 85'

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

M.E. Hayward / Historic Sites Surveyor

ORGANIZATION

Maryland Historical Trust / Struever Bros. & Eccles

DATE

4/79

STREET & NUMBER

1745 Circle Rd.

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ruxton

STATE

Maryland 21204

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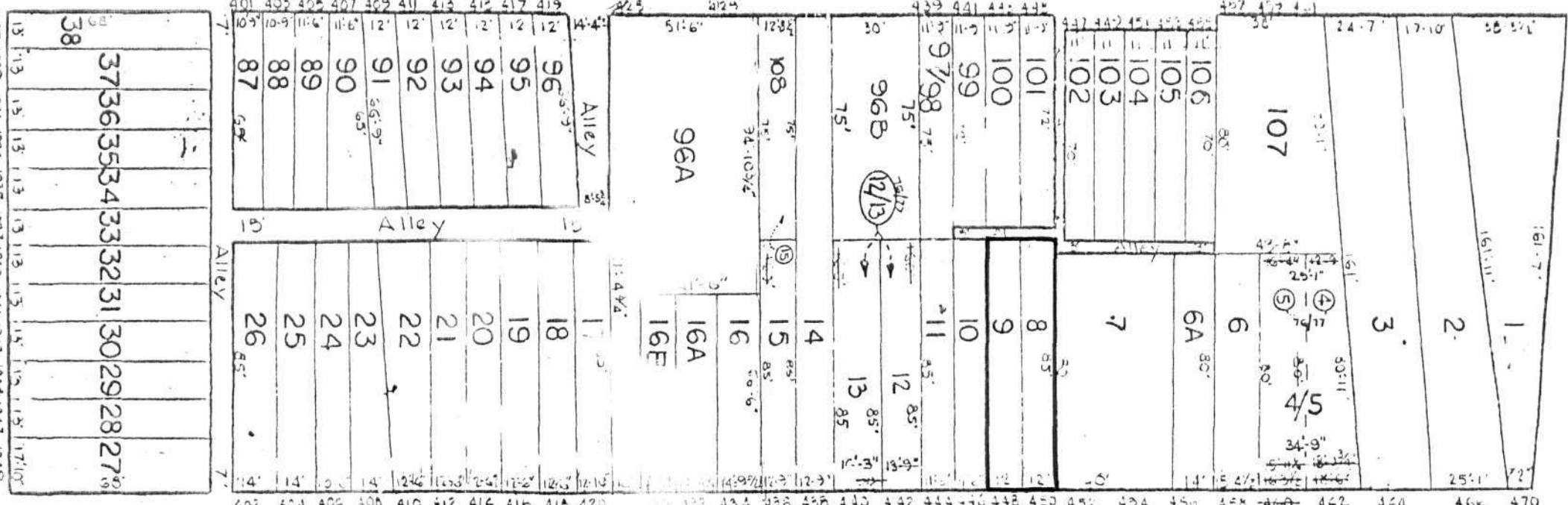
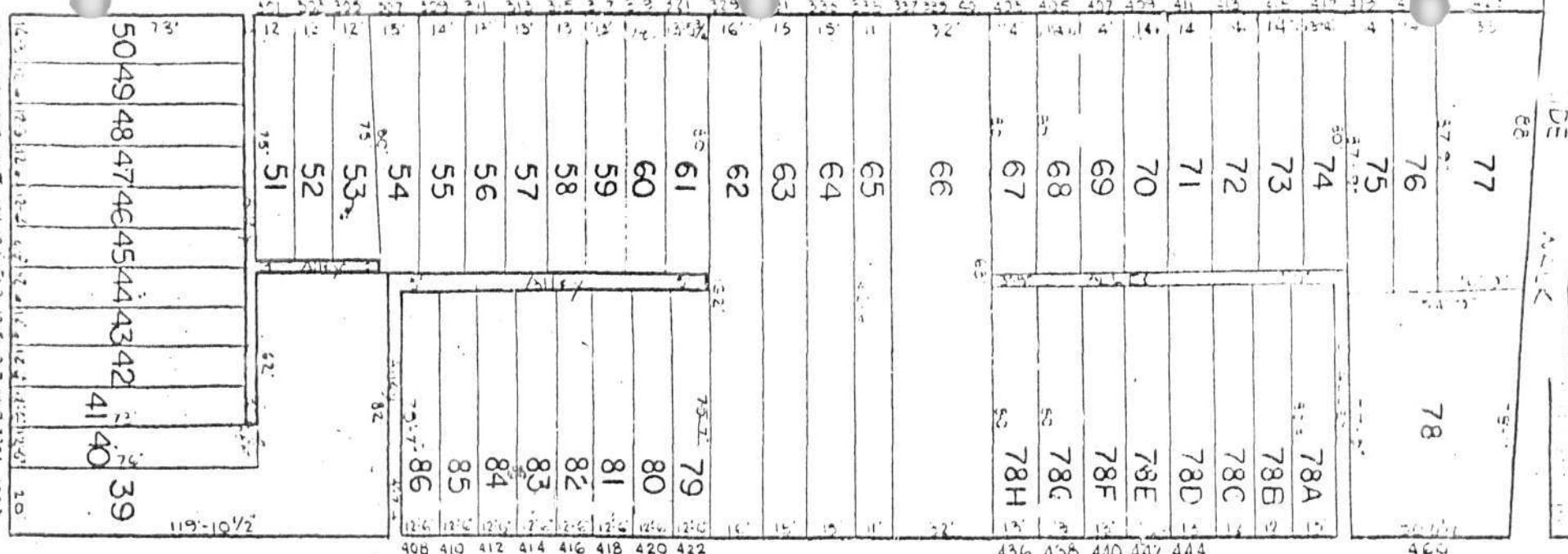
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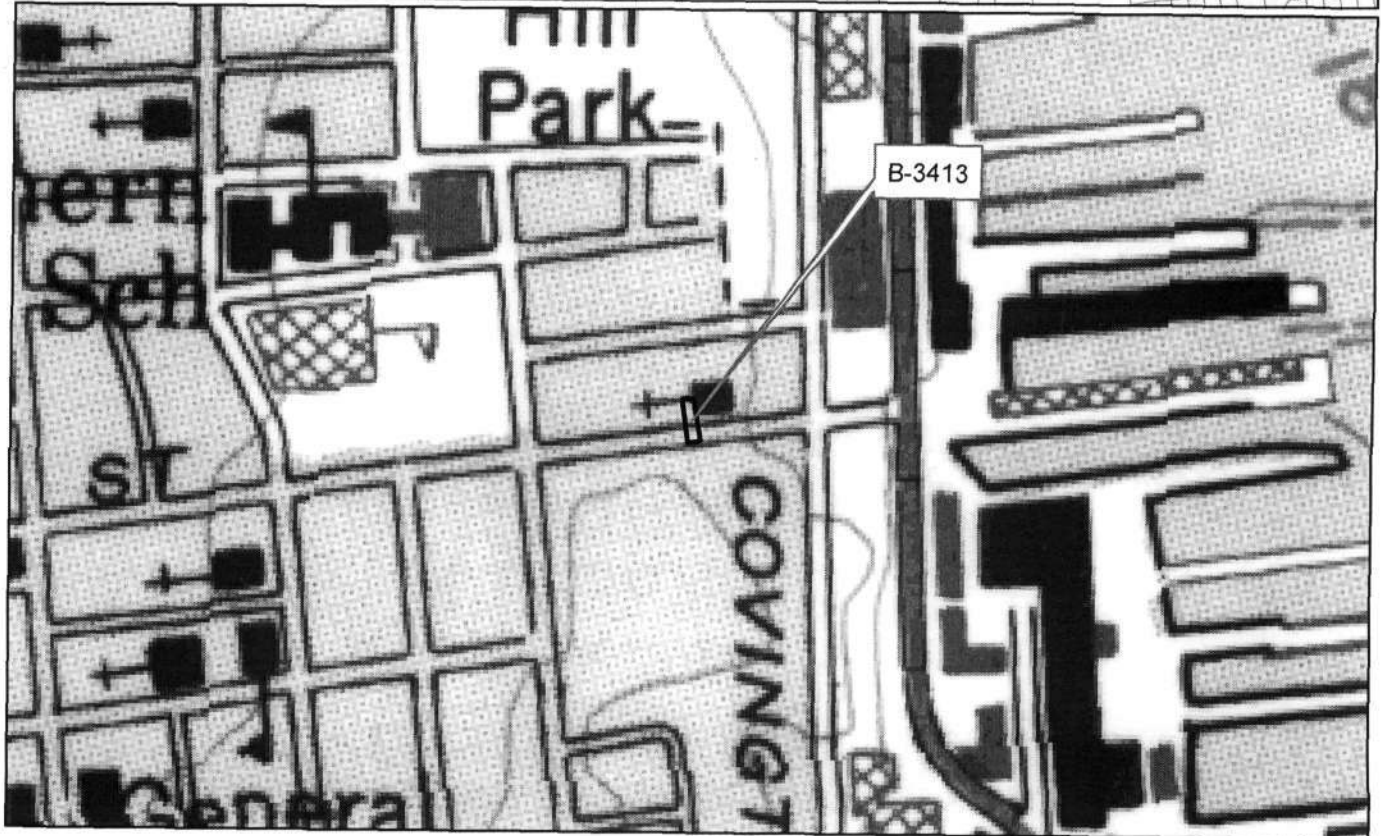
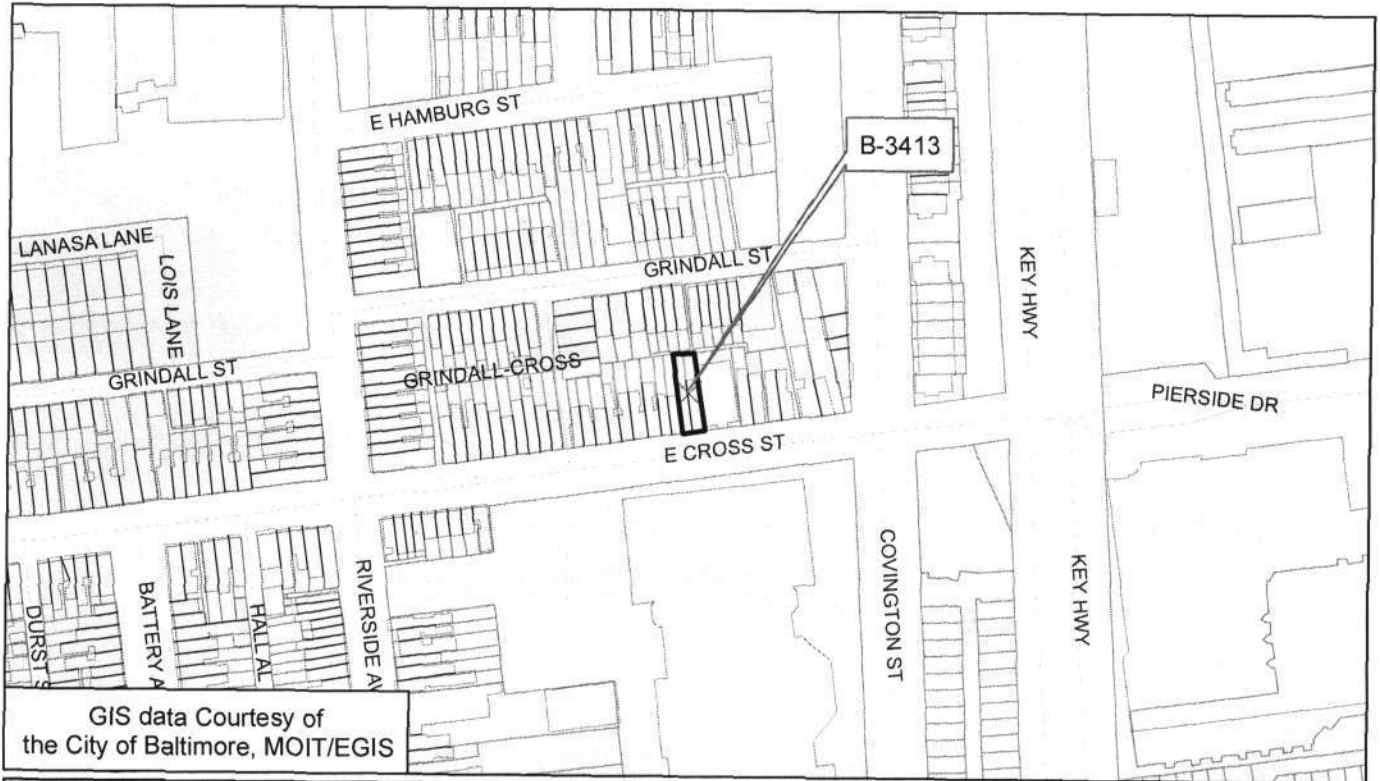
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Baltimore City
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South elevation